



Meeting at Manora 21st May 6.30pm

Present: Kate, Paul, Fred, Liz, Andrew, Alwena, Cheryl and Kevin.

Apologies: Jon, Catharyn, Richard, Steve.

Welcome: Andrew welcomed everybody and took the chair.

Financial Report: Finances were discussed and agreed. Fred advised that we should address our financial forecast for the coming year and present it to the council.

Events Arising: The licence for the **carnival** on 9th of June has been approved. This will cost £21. The pitch will cost us £10.

Liz will design two posters advertising the proposed trips in autumn, for display in the twinning tent. We need to ask Sarah for photos to display and we can put on show, many of our own from past events.

Food Festival: We decided not to have a subcommittee for the food festival, so that everyone could be involved with all decision making.

Barrie will not be sharing the tent with us this year.

We hope to have a bigger tent, as the French want to extend their selling potential. They will need to be made aware of health and safety procedures well in advance of the day.

Our own preparations need to be sharpened in this respect: BJs are going to supply us with 3 fridges, that must be connected the night before.

We shall have a poster on display, thanking everyone who has helped us during the year.

There will be a bee keeping theme this year, so we should start to think how it may be promoted.

There was a discussion about giving over more time to be sociable during the time that the French are with us. However, their time is limited, and it is unlikely that they would be able to extend their visit, on account of the working season having restarted.

Chrono: We discussed what would be best to take to France for sale and decided that the most popular products would be beer, bara brith and tea. We need to discuss how the NTA would make any profit from sales.

If we were to sell these at the carnival, it would demonstrate what we would be doing later in the year. Andrew stressed that the allotted space at the Chrono would be tiny and therefore we would have limited sales.

We need to book our coaches now and Liz will contact Owen's for new quotes, now that the dates have changed slightly. Two overnight crossings will be preferable, leaving here on Wednesday afternoon and returning on Monday evening's ferry. We need to promote the Chrono and Jum'Regal now. Liz will write an article for the County Times.

At this point, Liz had to leave, so thanks to Cheryl for taking over.

GDPR:

Discussion took place about the requirements of new legislation and the impact this will have on this association. Agreed so long as we are open and transparent the main changes do not apply as the database we hold is not being shared with any other organisations.

Action: Kevin agreed to follow this discussion up with a bit more research and update the next meeting.

Constitution:

Group agreed to the title of Newtown Twinning Association.

Minor amendments were all agreed.

Action: Kevin to update his master copy and forward to Liz to attach to the minutes or be sent out soon after.

Date for Special AGM was confirmed for 16th July @ 7pm, as per the procedures for the new constitution.

Action: All office bearers shall retire at this special Annual AGM and will then be eligible with other nominations for re-election

AOB:

Corporate Sponsorship was briefly discussed as a significant issue for the twinning, going forward.

Action: Andrew and Kevin to pursue further.

Next meeting scheduled for 6.30 on the 7th June at the Sportsman.

Apologies received from Kate.

Date:

Signed:

